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STATEMENT FILED PURSUANT TO THE DUTY OF  
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Sir/Madam:

Pursuant to the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the Applicant requests consideration of this Information Disclosure Statement.

Compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.97

This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits in the above-identified case. No fee or certification is required.

Information Cited

The Applicant hereby makes of record in the above-identified application the information listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified). The order of presentation of the references should not be construed as an indication of the importance of the references.

The Applicant would like to bring to the Examiner's attention the enclosed French Search Report from a corresponding French National Application.

Explanation of Non-English Language References and Remarks Concerning Other Information Cited

The following is a concise explanation of the relevance of each non-English language reference listed on the attached form PTO-1449 (modified):

As shown in the patent family search attached to the search report, U.S. Patent No. 5,265,003 corresponds to document WO 9 202 072, cited in the French Search Report.

For the relevance of the listed non-English language reference, the examiner's attention is drawn to the enclosed French Search Report, wherein documents FR 2 777 137, DE 39 05 645, and DE 197 25 837 have been placed in category "A", meaning that, in the opinion of the French Searching Authority, it relates to the general technological field of the invention.

#### Remarks

A copy of any document cited anywhere in the Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed unless otherwise indicated. It is respectfully requested that:

1. The Examiner consider completely the cited information, along with any other information, in reaching a determination concerning the patentability of the present claims;
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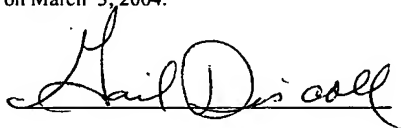
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An early and favorable action is hereby requested.

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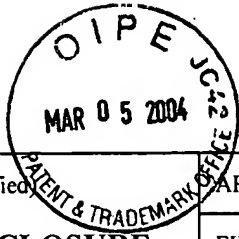
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Examiner's Initials	Cite No.	U.S. Patent Document		Name of Patentee or Applicant of Cited Document	Date of Publication or of issue of Cited Document MM-DD-YYYY
		Number	Kind Code		
	*	5,265,003		Kayser et al.	11/23/1993
	*	5,583,460		Dohi et al.	12/10/1996

#### FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS

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		FR	2 777 137		Bausiere et al. (English Abstract Enclosed)	10/08/1999	
		DE	39 05 645		Giemter et al. (English Abstract Enclosed)	08/23/1990	
		DE	197 25 837		Feldtkeller (English Abstract Enclosed)	12/24/1998	

#### OTHER ART — NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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